



# Academy of Collaborative Education

## Minutes

### Academic Excellence Committee Meeting

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#### Date and Time

Wednesday May 7, 2025 at 3:00 PM

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#### Committee Members Present

Amy Marcus (remote), Carmen Parks, Joellen Freeman, Karen Roberson

#### Committee Members Absent

*None*

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#### I. Opening Items

##### A. Record Attendance

##### B. Call the Meeting to Order

Amy Marcus called a meeting of the Academic Excellence Committee of Academy of Collaborative Education to order on Wednesday May 7, 2025 at 3:06 PM.

##### C.

### **Approve Minutes**

Joellen Freeman made a motion to Approve the minutes from Academic Excellence Committee Meeting on 04-02-25.

Karen Roberson seconded the motion.

The committee **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

### **Roll Call**

Karen Roberson Aye

Carmen Parks Aye

Amy Marcus Aye

Joellen Freeman Aye

## **II. New Academic Excellence Chair**

### **A. Discussion and questions around the change of chair for the Academic Excellence Committee**

While ACE's bylaws require a board member to chair each committee, they do not prohibit a co-chair who is not on the ACE board.

Carmen Parks has recently resigned from the ACE board of directors.

Therefore, Amy Marcus and Carmen Parks will be co-chairs of the Academic Excellence Committee as we advance.

## **III. Academic Excellence**

### **A. Testing update**

Karen Roberson provides updates on LEAP Connect scores, which are in, and LEAP testing, which should be completed by this Friday.

All other testing is complete.

Karen and Joellen mention the completion of DIBELS and the need to close ALL data collection by May 16th.

### **B. End of year 24-25 school year**

Due to incomplete data, the committee decided to push the presentation to the ACE board regarding academic goals to the August board meeting.

They also discussed the need for a written retention plan.

Joellen asked that the committee review the contract for the new BCBA and send proposed edits and feedback to her by this Friday.

### **C. Discuss Academic Excellence 2025-26 Goals and BOT Dashboard Goals**

Amy will adjust the date for the committee's board presentation to August.

The committee discussed and approved Carmen's Academic Excellence goals for the upcoming school year.

They also discussed the importance of consistent and quality training for line-techs and staff.

ACE Parent Academy, with topics like ABA 101, ASD Resources 101, and community resources, was proposed.

Carmen and Faith Gremillion will collaborate to provide parent training, and the committee plans to survey parents for their input on topics.

Carmen discusses the DARE program and possibly modifying it for ACE students.

### **D. Review Actual and Strategic Calendar**

The committee looked at the board's Strategic and Actual calendar.

Amy asked each member to review the scheduled events for this committee and respond with feedback and proposed edits to [boardchair@aceforasd.org](mailto:boardchair@aceforasd.org) by next Friday.

## **IV. Other Business**

### **A. ACTION ITEMS:**

Review and provide feedback on the virtual BCBA contract by Friday.

Review and provide feedback on the Strategic and Actual board calendar.

Create and send a survey to parents to gather input on topics for the "Parent Academy" sessions.

## **V. Closing Items**

### **A. Adjourn Meeting**

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 4:08 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amy Marcus

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